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AMCONSUL KADUNA

C O N F I D E N T I A L LAGOS 9009

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PEPR, PBOR, PINS, LY, CD
SUBJECT: MESSAGE FROM FROLINAT

1. DELEGATION FROLINAT'S THIRD WESTERN ARMY MET WITH POLCOUNS
JULY 20 AND REQUESTED THAT A LETTER BE TRANSMITTED TO THE DEPARTMENT.
THE DELEGATION WAS LED BY MAHAMATMOUSSA ADAM AND INCLUDED MAHAMAT
HASSABALLAH, ZEGBADA ALI AND ABAKAR MAKAILA. THE CONVERSATION
WAS HELD IN FRENCH AND ENGLISH WITH MAHAMAT HASSABALLAH SPEAKING
ENGLISH AND MAHAMATMOUSSA ADAM SPEAKING FRENCH.

2. AN INFORMAL TRANSLATION OF THE TEXT OF THE LETTER, WHICH IS
WRITTEN IN FRENCH, FOLLOWS: BEGIN TEXT.

THE CHIEF OF THE AMERICAN DEPARTMENT
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C/O HIS EXCELLENCY, AMERICAN AMBASSADOR, LAGOS.

EXCELLENCY:

WE ARE GREATLY HONORED TO EXTEND TO YOU AND YOUR ILLUSTRIOUS
GOVERNMENT OUR SINCERE GREETINGS. WE ARE A FACTION OF FROLINAT
(FRONT OF THE NATIONAL LIBERATION OF CHAD) OPERATING OUT OF LAKE

CHAD AND KANEM (SEC) APPROXIMATELY 300 KILOMETERS FROM THE CAPITAL OF CHAD AND KNOWN AS THE THIRD WESTERN ARMY.

NO ONE IS UNAWARE OF THE INHUMAN LOT RESERVED FOR THE OPPRESSED PEOPLE OF CHAD BY THE UNPOPULAR REGIME OF NDJAMENA. THE REASON FOR OUR STRUGGLE BEING LEGITIMATE, WE EARNESTLY REQUEST SUPPORT FOR OUR CAUSE FROM YOUR COUNTRY AND ALL PEACE LOVING COUNTRIES OF GOODWILL THROUGH YOU, WHOM WE HAVE CHOSEN. THEREFORE, MR. AMBASSADOR, WE HOPE YOU REALIZE THE IMPORTANCE AND THE SIGNIFICANCE OF OUR MESSAGE TO YOUR COMPETENT GOVERNMENT.

WE STRONGLY CONDEMN THE AMBITIOUS EXPANSIONISTS OF LIBYA WHO IN CONCERT WITH SEVERAL LIBYAN AND CHADIAN EXPATRIATES (APATRIDES) ILLEGALLY OCCUPY THE NORTHERN SECTION OF OUR COUNTRY. THEY HAVE EVIL INTENTIONS OF MAKING CHAD A BATTLEFIELD FOR SOVIET-CUBAN CONFRONTATION.

IN OTHER RESPECTS WE SOLICIT YOUR AID TO REPEL THE GREAT SCOURGE THAT MENACES THE ENTIRE CONTINENT OF AFRICA. IN THE HOPE OF A FAVORABLE ANSWER, PLEASE RECEIVE OUR SINCERE THANKS.

FOR THE PRESIDENT OF THE COMMANDING COUNCIL OF THE WESTERN ARMED FORCES.

(SIGNATURE ILLEGIBLE). END TEXT.

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3. ACTION REQUESTED: THE DELEGATION ASKED FOR AN ANSWER BY AUGUST 10, WHEN THEY WILL RETURN TO LAGOS.
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